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BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO
THE AMERICAN BUSINESS PRESS
(USPS/ABP-35)

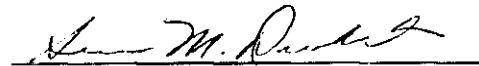
Pursuant to rules 25 and 26 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure and rule 2 of the Special Rules of Practice, the United States Postal Service directs the following interrogatories and requests for production of documents to the American Business Press: USPS/ABP-35.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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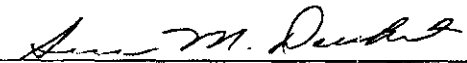
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USPS/ABP-35. In response to USPS/ABP-24-33, American Business Press indicates that the only specific data on members' mailing characteristics was provided in prior dockets by witness James B. Kobak.

- a. Does ABP know generally how its members' mailings are prepared and how that preparation has changed for each of the last ten years? If so, please explain fully.
- b. Does ABP have any general information about its members' mailings which would indicate, by year, the changes in make-up such as changes in average bundle size, changes in containerization, and the average number of bundles and pieces per container? If so, please explain fully.
- c. Does ABP have any general information about its members' mailings which would indicate in percentage terms, what savings, if any, its members have experienced in their mail preparation costs (excluding postage) due to changes in the make-up of their mailings. If so, please explain fully.
- d. Even if a percentage cannot be calculated for such savings, as requested in subpart (c) above, please indicate whether or not ABP knows or believes that its members have experienced savings.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.


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